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Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson's Girth, 154 lbs. (Mr. Johnston) 1
Mr. Dryadus's Trind, 157 lbs. (Mr. Mackie) 2
Mr. Dryadus's Best Friend, 151 lbs. (Mr. Dupree) 3

An excellent start was made, Best Friend taking the lead with Pioneer following very close. As they drew up at the bend and Trind made a great effort to secure the leading position but without avail.

Time, 2 m. 21 sec.
Part-mutual, \$12.10. Cash sweeps, 1st \$254.70; 2nd \$70.20; 3rd \$33.10.

POLO SEVENT.—From 2 Mile Post in. Ponies to start facing the village and turn right-handed at fall of flag. Catch weights 11.7.

Hon. Mr. J. W. Gresson's Middlesex, 151 lbs. (Mr. Dupree) 1
Mr. J. Johnston's Blue Bird, 151 lbs. (Owner) 2
Commodore H. Lyon's Swan, 151 lbs. (Owner) 3

Middlesex came in an easy winner having lead from the start.

Time, 21 sec.
Part-mutual, \$13.50. Cash sweeps, 1st \$349.60; 2nd \$99.90; 3rd \$49.95.

THREE QUARTERS OF A MILE HANDICAP. A. Class.—For all China Ponies. En. Mr. Blank's Argyl, 140 lbs. (Mr. Dupree) 1
Mr. Seth's The Tortoise (late Strathmill), 150 lbs. (Owner) 2
Major H. Findlay's Polo Dick, 155 lbs. (Owner) 3

Twenty pounds overweight was carried by Polo Dick while Tortoise had seven. The latter led at the start but subsequently Cavalier took up the running. Tortoise again shot ahead at the rock; then Argyl forged to the front, passing the post a good distance ahead.

Time, 1 m. 39 sec.
Part-mutual, \$18.40. Cash sweeps, 1st \$330.75; 2nd \$94.50; 3rd \$47.25.

THREE QUARTERS OF A MILE HANDICAP. A. Class.—For all China Ponies. En. Mr. J. Johnston's Herbiabell, 157 lbs. (Owner) 1
Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson's H. H. 142 lbs. (Mr. Dupree) 2
Mr. L. K. Leeson's Soudan (late Forster), 132 lbs. (Owner) 3

Herbiabell commanded the race from the start and H. H. came in a good second. Time, 1 m. 36 sec.

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Captain Brinley ... 2
Captain Twiss ... 2

This competition proved very interesting. The winner obtained eleven points; Captain Brinley ten, and Captain Twiss nine.

ONE AND A QUARTER MILES HANDICAP.—For all China Ponies.
*Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson's Lammerton, 149 lbs. (Mr. Johnston) 1
Mr. Blank's Greyback, 147 lbs. (Mr. Mackie) 2
*Mr. M. M. Brice's Toddlers (late Phoenix), 147 lbs. (Owner) 3

Lammerton shot ahead from the bunch and when the stand was passed was leading with Toddlers, Greyback and Best Friend close following. Greyback then drew level and for some time ran neck and neck and when near the rock took up the first position with Lammerton third. The race home between the latter and Greyback was a fine one and Lammerton won by a good margin.

Time, 3 m. 14 sec.
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SATURDAY, September 11:-

Noon - Meeting of China Light & Power

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3 p.m. - Meeting of Hongkong Hotel Co.,

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MONDAY, September 13:-

2.15 p.m. - Meeting of His Majesty's

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MONDAY, September 14:-

9 a.m. - Military Gun Practice.

5.30 p.m. - Meeting of Hongkong Cricket

League at Hongkong Cricket Club.

THURSDAY, September 23:-

5.30 p.m. - Meeting of Hongkong St.

Andrew's Society at City Hall.

THURSDAY, September 30:-

2.30 p.m. - Auction of Valuable Lease-

hold Land at Shamen, Canton.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, MONDAY, SEPT. 6, 1909.

GERMANY'S DEFICIT.

GERMANY has "balanced her books for 1908 and finds that she is £20,000,000 to the bad. This is not such a large deficit as was at first anticipated, or at least hinted at, by the officials during the recent parliamentary debates which preceded the downfall of Prince von Bismarck, but it is still bad enough. And yet we read in home papers that despite the new taxes now enforced the new fiscal programme adopted by Germany will not help matters very much. Indeed, there is a general feeling abroad among the nation that it will be absolutely necessary, before many months have elapsed, and after the Reichstag meets again, to find further ways and means of filling what appears to be a bottomless pit. That seems anything but a pleasant prospect. It was not till the 1st of August that the taxpayers of Germany fully realised what the new taxes meant to them individually. The Berlin correspondent of the Standard says that up to that moment the man in the street had regarded the question of fresh taxes more as a theoretical idea, and that he was not until his pocket was searched, that he realised that

he had to contribute towards the increased naval programme and so-called social reforms. On the last night of July the warehouses of Berlin were besieged with clamouring crowds purchasing matches, coffee, tea, cigars, etc. That night the Berlin housewife could buy ten boxes of matches for ten pfennigs (1d.), or for fifteen pfennigs (1½d.) at the most. Next day they cost 3½d. Coffee had also risen 3½d. per pound with the result that many thrifty people resorted to a substitute for coffee called "malt coffee." Matches, says the correspondent, are to be replaced by the tinder and flint apparatus of bygone ages, and all kinds of devices are being resorted to in order to avoid a great increase in household expenses. "White beer, one of the most popular drinks in the east of Berlin, was formerly purchased at the ordinary restaurants and beerhouses for 1d. per glass, and will now cost nearly half as much again. Thus the much despised copper pfennig which has lately played no role in Germany has again come into evidence. It has been customary in the larger towns of northern Germany to charge prices rounded off according to the decimal figure of ten, fifteen, twenty, etc. Owing, however, to the fresh taxes, many articles of daily consumption have increased in price, with the result that odd sums of twelve, thirteen, seventeen, and twenty-three pfennigs are charged, and in view of the increased requirements for copper money, the German Government are earnestly considering the advisability of increasing the copper coinage of the Empire. Matches have been purchased by hundreds of thousands of boxes from Sweden and Norway, and it is safe to say that, so far as Berlin is concerned, households are stocked for months to come.

Much disappointment, we read, has been evinced in official circles at the devices which have been resorted to by the hard-hit taxpayer to evade fresh impositions. Scrupulous care has been exercised by Excise officials that no one in the whole of the empire should avoid any of the fresh taxes. Those householders who prudently laid in a large stock of goods which they anticipated would be subject to taxation do not escape. House-to-house visitations take place, and every one possessing more than a stipulated amount of taxable goods is bound to pay a certain duty according to the new scale. Cigarettes and cigars are tied round with so-called "Leibbinder," or paper bands, denoting the amount of duty to be paid. Travellers entering Germany who have hitherto been able to avoid Customs duties on dutiable articles will in the future have to render tribute. All the Excise regulations are to be enforced with greater care than has hitherto been the case.

The German Empire is a magnificent affair, perhaps the best political creation of the last century, but it is becoming more and more costly to run, and we cannot help wondering how much longer the great taxpaying public will patiently bear the excessive burden of taxation which its rulers seem so desperately anxious to fasten upon its broad shoulders. There is a certain limit to human endurance: when that is crossed we reach breaking-point. How near the Fatherland may be to this breaking-point is one of the secrets which the future will disclose. So far Germany's steadily increasing wealth has enabled her to keep pace with the demands of the Imperial and local treasures, but the question is how long will this condition of things continue? Some writers contend that Germany has already reached the limit of her tax-paying powers, while others as eagerly argue that there are almost limitless new sources of revenue yet to be drawn upon. One thing, however, is perfectly certain: if Germany intends to keep up the greatest standing army in Europe and expand her Navy at the rate she has done during the last few years, her taxes will have to still further increase to pay the inevitable bills, unless Providence steps in with another solution. But that would be quite a different story.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Again there were no cases of plague notified in the Colony during the week ending September 4th.

The Imperial Government will contribute £250,000 annually towards the maintenance of the Australian fleet.

Today is Labour Day with the Americans. This holiday was initiated by the Labour Union of the United States and is observed throughout the whole country.

M. Latham and M. Bloriot have signed articles for an aeroplane match in which the winner will receive £4,000 and the loser £1,000. The race will take place at Wembley Park.

The total output of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Company's three mines for the week ending 21st August amounted 30,183.18 tons and the sales during the period to 20,732.87 tons.

Messrs Vieira & Co. kindly send us a half-gallon tin of Whalley's disinfectant - for which they have been appointed sole agents - together with a packet of pamphlets describing its efficacy and cheapness.

The Jiao Times understands that the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank has bought the premises now occupied by Messrs Rowley, Davies and Co., in Kaiti Bazaar, Batavia, and intends to rebuild the same for bank purposes.

Three cases of enteric fever were reported in the Colony during the past week. One was a British patient, an imported case, and the other two were respectively a Japanese and a Chinese. The only other communicable disease notified was a fatal case of purpural fever.

The British Government has issued important amendments to the Licensing proposals under the Budget. Liqueur reductions are allowed to duty, hotels and restaurants, but the publicans are not satisfied, and declare that the reductions do not mitigate the gravity of the London trade.

Shortly after passing Waglan on Thursday the s.s. Persia, which is on her first voyage to Mexico, signalled to an incoming steamer that the second engineer, Mr Scott, had died suddenly after leaving Hongkong and had been buried at sea. The third engineer was also ill and was sent ashore. Two engineers were quickly sent to take their place and the vessel then proceeded on her voyage.

Further reports from the scene of the great hurricane in the state of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, indicate that an extended area was swept by the storm and that Monterey was not the only centre of population that suffered severely from the disaster. Thirty towns are reported to have been more or less badly damaged by the wind and to have been flooded by the accompanying deluge. Hundreds have been added to the death list first reported. Relief continues to pour into the stricken district from all over the two continents.

A Chinaman who assists in *pai morien* work at Yumati mortuary has been the means of causing trouble between rival undertakers. It seems that this man has a good deal of influence in placing business in the way of coffin-makers, and it is said that he has shown a distinct partiality towards a certain firm. The result has been that some men employed by another firm, feeling aggrieved, sought out the employees of the more fortunate tradesman and followed up heated discussions with forcible blows. A regular fight ensued and several of the men were more or less injured.

The *Birmingham Post* learns that arrangements have been made which make it practically certain that an important British expedition will be organised before long having for its object the further exploration of the South Polar region, and especially to reach the South Pole itself. It is felt that Mr Shackleton got so near to the southernmost point of the earth, the British should complete the task, and a very strong effort has been made to this end. This effort is now virtually certain of meeting with success as regards the prospects of an expedition being despatched, and it would naturally go under the leadership of one who has already had experience of Antarctic exploration, Capt. Scott.

The arrests and executions of the ringleaders of the recent disturbances at Barcelona continue. Inspector Arrows, of Scotland Yard, has been relieved of his duties. This step meets with popular approval. At the request of King Alfonso, Inspector Arrows, who has great experience of the anarchist movement, was sent by Scotland Yard two or three years ago to take over the control of the detective work at Barcelona in connexion with the constant occurrence of dynamite outrages in that city. The appointment of a foreigner to such a position gave great offence to some sections of the Barcelona population, and during his term of duty he had to face continuous abuse and opposition. Several attempts have been made on his life.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

M. Miribel, the Resident Superior, is expected to leave Tientsin on September 15.

Commander Duckworth, of the U. S. S. Helena, now in harbour, gave a tea to a number of members of the American community this afternoon.

Mr. William Murray Stratton, assistant engineer of the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, and son of the late Mr. George Stratton, contractor, of Edinburgh, was on Saturday, at the Union Church, married to Miss Grace Hunter, who recently arrived in the Colony from Edinburgh. The Rev. T. W. Pearce officiated. The only bridesmaid was Miss Maddock, while Mr. Frank Grove, engineer-in-chief of the Canton-Kowloon railway, gave the bride away. Mr. J. J. Thompson, was "best man." A reception was held at the Hongkong Hotel, and later Mr. and Mrs. Stratton left for Macao.

The Batavia *Nieuwe Fan den Dag* notes the death of a Chinese millionaire, Tan Tyan Hing by name, at Sourabaya. He bequeathed five millions of guilders to his only son. This is a great fortune, but another Chinaman in Java, named Wee Tong Ham, possesses much more. His property is valued at twenty-seven millions of guilders! He resides at Samarang, where, according to our contemporary, the Chinese feel highly displeased at his daughter, Angela by name, being engaged to the American Consul in that quarter, Mr. Cuthfield Stokes. The marriage is arranged for next month. The local Chinese would have preferred Miss Angela marrying one of their countrymen.

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

At the Magistrate's day-Arthur Rutherford and Alex. Bagdanoff, of the Sailors' Home, were charged with refusing to pay rickshaw hire. After hearing the evidence, Mr. F. A. Hazeland discharged both defendants.

Last night an American bluejacket assaulted an Indian constable on the water front at Wanchai and then jumped into this water. The Indian constable after him and the sailor coming out he was arrested by a European policeman. At the Magistrate's day the erring bluejacket was fined \$5.

At the Magistrate's day Inspector Gouley prosecuted a Chinese shop-keeper for storing 288 cases of spirits of wine and brandy. Mr. F. W. Goldring defended. After hearing the evidence Mr. F. A. Hazeland imposed a nominal fine of \$5 and ordered the spirits, valued at \$1,700, to be confiscated.

An instance of the "canniness" of Chinese thieves was furnished by a case which came before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistrate's day. From the evidence it appeared that the defendant proceeded to a house during the early hours of this morning and set about an endeavour to steal some clothing which he saw hanging on the wall inside. He first tried to get in through the door, but he was unable to get out, and then with a bamboo into the end of which he had driven a nail tried to hook the clothing by inserting it through the iron bars which protected the window. He however did not reckon on the possibility of being caught in the act from outside, for a looking appeared on the scene and soon arrested him. He was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment.

BANDMAN'S MERRY LITTLE MAIDS IN "HAVANA."

Another delightfully enjoyable evening was provided at the Theatre Royal on Saturday by Bandmann's Merry Little Maids. They gave an exceedingly bright and sparkling production of "Havana," a piece with which they had on a previous occasion charmed a Hongkong audience. All the participants entered thoroughly into the spirit of the play, and the patrons were always kept interested and often highly amused. The comic element was admirably sustained by Mr. Frank Danby and Mr. Frith, who took the respective parts of Reggie and Nix, of the yacht "Sunny Sally." They were simply irresistible. The other parts were also in most capable hands, the work of Miss Mahel Gregory and Miss Florence Beech being particularly meritorious; these ladies continue to increase their reputations at each successive appearance. The music was prettily rendered, the solos being entrusted to efficient vocalists, and the choruses going with plenty of gusto. Some pretty dances were also introduced.

It will be heard with distinct pleasure that the Company has decided to prolong the stay of "To-night" "The Girls of Godenburg" will be put on to-morrow, instead of the variety performance "The City of Dreadful Night" which was to have been the case on Wednesday, with a specially requested repeat performance of "The Mikado," which was so charmingly staged by the Company on their last visit.

A crocodile, over 12 feet long, shot in the Kiang river, was found to contain several chains and dog badges.

DON'T TAKE THE RISK.

WHEN you have a bad cough or cold do not let it drag along until it becomes chronic or develops into a strike of pneumonia, but give it the attention it deserves and get rid of it. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and you are sure of prompt relief. It is safe for all children and women.

THE NORTH POLE.

DR. COOK SPEAKS OUT.

Significance of the Discoveries.
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, September 5.

Dr. Cook has been interviewed regarding his expedition. He stated that he is prepared to submit his observations to any scientific authorities. The most important result of the expedition, he said, was not the reaching of the Pole, but the travelling round thirty thousand square miles of new land.

London, September 5.
Dr. Cook met with a most enthusiastic reception on his arrival at Copenhagen. He was received by H. M. King Frederick VIII.

PRESIDENT TAFT SENDS CONGRATULATIONS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, September 6.

President Taft has telegraphed his congratulations to Dr. Cook.

[Note - From Manila papers we learn that Dr. Cook, the Arctic explorer, who is said to have discovered the North Pole, before his last reappearance within the pale of civilisation, had previously been heard from on March 17, 1908, when he sent a letter back by an Eskimo messenger. Cook was then on the polar ice north of Cape Hubbard and 600 miles from the pole. He was well equipped with supplies, sledges and dogs. Rudolph, Francis, whom Cook left at Anaktok, received the letter on March 17 and reached civilisation with it.

Dr. Frederick Albert Cook made two polar trips before leading his own expedition. He was surgeon of the Peary expedition of 1901-2, and accompanied the Belgian expedition of 1897-9 to the antarctic regions in the same capacity. He led the expedition to explore and climb Mount McKinley in 1903-4.

"Through the First Antarctic Night," and "To the Top of the Continent" are books from his pen.
Dr. Cook was born in New York State June 10, 1868. His decorations include: Order of Leopold, Belgium; gold medal of Royal Society, Belgium; silver medal Royal Geographical Society, Belgium.

GREAT BRITAIN AND AUSTRIA.

KING EDWARD'S GOOD OFFICES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, September 5.

The Times correspondent at Marienbad states that as a result of the King's informal conversations with prominent Austro-Hungarian, Anglo-Austrian relations are in a fair way of regaining their former cordiality.

KING EDWARD'S HEALTH.

SOUND AS A MAN TEN YEARS YOUNGER.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, September 5.

H. M. the King has left Marienbad. An official statement says that His Majesty is in perfect health. His strength is in every way similar to that of a man ten years younger.

GERMAN LEGISLATORS AS AVIATORS.

TRIPS IN THE ZEPPELIN AIRSHIP.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, September 6.

Count Zeppelin invited two hundred members of the Reichstag and the Federal Council to Friedrichshafen and took them in batches of fifteen in airship trips across Lake Constance.

THE CANTON RAILWAY SENSATION.

MR. BUTLER-WRIGHT ON "TENYO MARU."

Arrested at Woosung this morning.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
SHANGHAI, September 6.

Mr. Butler-Wright was arrested this morning at Woosung by the Municipal Police on a warrant issued by the British Consul countersigned by the Japanese Consul.

The arrested man is to be brought up in Court this afternoon.

DENIES ACCUSATION.

SHANGHAI, September 5, 3.27 p.m.
Mr. Wright was brought up at the British Court this afternoon and was remanded for seven days, pending instructions from Canton.

IN SEARCH OF NAVAL STATIONS.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, September 5.

Prince Shan and Admiral Sah have reported to the Throne that they have visited Chekiang and are on their way to Fokien Province.

NEW COMBINATION OF POWERS.

GERMANY, AMERICA AND CHINA.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, September 5.

His Excellency Na Tung suggests that Germany and America be asked to join China in the formation of a new Triple Alliance.

JAPANESE CONSULATE FOR CHIENTAO.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, September 5.

China has agreed that Japan may establish a Consulate in Chientao.

JAPANESE RAILWAY GUARDS WITHDRAWN.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, September 5.

Japan has withdrawn her railway guards from the Mukden-Antung line.

HONGKONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE.

A course of lectures on Sanitation, with special reference to the requirements for the Sanitary Inspectors' certificate of the Royal Sanitary Institute, will be given by Dr. Francis Clark, M.O.H., at the Sanitary Board Offices, "Beaconsfield," every Monday fortnight from October 1st to January 24th, commencing punctually at 8.45 p.m.

EMBEZZLED TO GET MARRIED.

A charge of embezzling various sums amounting to over \$100 was to-day preferred at the Magistracy, against the sheriff of Watson's Kowloon Dispensary. Prisoner was brought before Mr. J. R. Wood, and was formally remanded until Thursday next.

When arrested and charged the sheriff told the police that he knew the money was due from him, but he thought he would be able to repay it in a little time. Asked what he had done with the money he said he had lost some of it, and got married on the remainder.

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JAPAN AT SAN FRANCISCO'S CELEBRATION.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, September 5.
The cruiser Lammo will start for San Francisco on the 20th inst. and is expected to arrive at her destination on 12th proximo. She will take part in the jubilee festivities of the port.

THE CHINO-JAPAN AGREEMENT.

DOCUMENTS SIGNED.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, September 5.
The Chino-Japan agreement regarding the Manchurian questions was signed yesterday. By this agreement, the Japanese Government has recognized the rights of the Chinese Government to construct the Kirin-Kiamia railway, the Fakuken railway, the Fushan railway, the Yinkow branch line, and the Seoul-Mukden railway questions have all been settled. The land along the Amnong railway is to come under Japanese control.
The above agreement is not officially published here yet.

AVIATION IN JAPAN.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, September 5.
The Military Aeroplane Association will hold its general meeting on the 7th inst. to discuss the rules and the objects to be studied by the Association.

LARGE INCREASE IN REVENUE.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, September 5.
The Government officials believe that the natural increase of revenue will amount to 25,000,000 yen in the next fiscal year.

JAPAN'S TARIFF REVISION.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, September 5.
The Tariff Revision Committee have entirely finished their work.

MACAO NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
Macao, September 3.
We failed to mention in last advice that the reference to the rumoured haul of firearms on a vessel freighted with a theatrical troupe was based on official assurances that the occurrence was a get-and-out box.

There is a lull in the recent stir to raise the market prices of our vital commodities, the activities of the fire-eaters being apparently now wholly centered on a fresh-blown expedition in the Houghshan district. Details are to hand of a monster mass meeting convened on 25th ult. in view of pressing representations said to have been forwarded to the Sub-Commission of the Macao Boundary Protection Society by the village elders of Mong Ha, consequent on the issue, in the Gazette, of one of the usual forenoctics of the land resumption which is now being gradually carried out. The locality in this instance lay in the foregoing hamlet, the property in question consisting of three tumble-down cott. And our peace abiding goodmen are, as far as we know, the guileless primariness of the seething discontent now rampant round and about the outer edges of the Colony. The wanted rant and fustian marked the strident utterances and it was eventually resolved that a body of volunteers should be recruited from among the population of the 98 outlying villages to withstand further encroachments by Portugal on their soil and as a general measure of self-defense in the event of aggression. Special messengers were detailed to visit the scheme going at all the villages. A delegate was commissioned to interview R.E. Kao for China while another sweeping protest was sent on to viceregal headquarters at Canton. Whatever insidious charges the latter laid, the fact is that the glib-tongued Kwang Chik has been moored in the offing against China since the day before yesterday; protesting to keep an eye on the clandestine designs of Portugal. (This last move is, no doubt, well timed to fall in with the advent of the new Viceroy at Canton.)

The *Vida Nova* was yesterday the recipient of an anonymous missive by way of report to the open letters addressed within the last fortnight to the Self-Government Society. It is indeed a hopeful case, considering with those who have eyes and will see. The message struck an ominous note of warning for the native manipulator of the *Vida Nova*, and went on to say that Commissioner Rao himself stood to receive scant money at their hands if he did not carefully mind his p's and q's.

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CANTON RAILWAY SENATION.

ALLEGED HEAVY DEFALCATIONS.

Mr Butler Wright Arrested at Woonung this Morning.

Hongkong has been thrown into a state of considerable excitement at a piece of news which has just leaked out. It is to the effect that Mr W. Butler Wright, chief accountant on the Chinese section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, has become involved in defalcations said by rumour to amount to some \$60,000.
Since his appointment at Canton, Mr Wright has been a constant visitor to Hongkong, scarcely a week passing without his making a trip down. He was, therefore, a well-known figure in the Colony, and he soon made a large circle of acquaintances, who have been simply astounded at the suggestion that he is in any way implicated in any shady affair. In Canton he was an exceedingly well-known man. He occupied a residence on the Shameen, entertained royally, and took the keenest interest in the life and sport of the European community there. He had the reputation of being a most generous man, and both at Canton and in Hongkong he was most liberal in disposing of his dollars.
At the present time it is not known with certainty who actually made the discovery of the defalcations in the accounts, but it would appear that for some time an auditor has been investigating the financial state of the undertaking, and rumours gradually leaked out. Mr Wright left Canton on Thursday and arrived in Hongkong on the following day. He was seen on the Star Ferry launch which left Kowloon at nine o'clock that morning, when he was carrying a small hand-bag, while later in the day he was seen about in the town; apparently plunged to the collar in business. He took a passage by the s.s. Tenyo Maru, which left Hongkong that day, and so the Hongkong police when informed that he was wanted, about 5 p.m. on Friday, had little difficulty in following his track. The Tenyo Maru, after calling in Keelung for some Formosa tea, proceeded to Woonung, where she arrived this morning. Here a consular warrant issued by the British Consul-General at Shanghai and countersigned by the Japanese Consul was waiting, and on the vessel being boarded by the officers of the law Mr Wright was promptly arrested. Our Shanghai Correspondent wires that he was brought up before the Court this afternoon, and remanded for seven days, pending the arrival of instructions from Canton. Mr Wright denied the accusation which had been laid against him.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The American Consulate General at Hongkong received the following telegram from the Manila Observatory at 11.45 a.m. on September 6, at 11.20 a.m.:—Depression Northern part China Sea.
The Hongkong Observatory remarks that a feeble cyclonic circulation is shown over the North part of the China Sea, and a depression is probably developing to the W. or N.W. of Luzon.

A FATAL MISTAKE.

Last night a Chinaman mistook the residence of a neighbour for his own and proceeded to ascend the lengthy stairs. When he reached the top a woman asked him what he wanted there. Realising his mistake, he turned round and was hastily descending when he slipped and fell to the bottom. He received nasty injuries about the head and was conveyed to the Government hospital, where he died some little time after admission.

INDIA'S BIG DEFICIT.

The strong hand with which the Government are going to put down sedition, mongering in India was the main feature of the masterly address of the Master of Elibank when introducing the Indian Budget in the House of Commons.
The main points of the new Under-Secretary's speech were as follows:—
"The financial year closed with a deficit of 3½ millions.
A serious falling off in the gross receipts from the Indian railways, owing to restricted trade.
Lord Kitchener's great work in re-modelling the Indian Army.
The ruined harvests of a year or two ago have resulted in the loss of 7,000,000 tons of food grain, valued at £28,000,000.
The authorities have been able to close the relief works since, and there is no general distress now.
The plague has decreased in virulence. Last year the death rate was reduced to one-ninth of that of the previous year.
The Under-Secretary gracefully expressed the sympathy of the House with Lady Wylie, and its indebtedness to the Indian gentleman who gave his life to the Imperial Institute in the attempt to save Sir Curzon.
"The crime was an isolated act and not connected with any general widespread conspiracy against British power," he said.

HOW TO PREVENT BLOOD-POISON.
CARELESSNESS and neglect are the chief causes of blood poisoning. A cut or bruise, however slight, should have immediate attention. A good liniment and pain-killing ointment, leads the wound without maturation, in Chamberlain's Pain Balm. When this remedy is applied all danger from blood poisoning is avoided. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

Machine, Furniture & Fixtures, as per last account, \$115,754.70

Less written off, as per last Report, 6,500.00
Balance, added, 42,750.00
149,004.70

The following report of the board of directors will be presented at the ordinary meeting of shareholders, to be held at the Company's Hotel at 12.30 p.m. on Saturday, the 11th September, 1909:—

The Directors now beg to submit their Report for the half-year ended 30th June, 1909.

The Profit and Loss Account amounted to \$71,134.54 as compared with \$30,232.30 for the corresponding period of 1908, being a decrease of \$40,902.24.

The Profit and Loss Account, including the sum of \$205.40 brought forward from 31st December, 1908, shows a credit balance of \$70,929.14, which the Directors recommend should be apportioned as follows:—

To pay a dividend of—
\$2.40 per Share on 12,000 Old Shares \$28,800.00
and 40 cents per Share on 7,500 New Shares 5,625.00
34,425.00

To transfer to Repairs and Renewals Account 10,000.00

To transfer to Furniture and Fittings 3,000.00

To write off Electric Plant 4,000.00

To carry forward to New account 19,572.49

\$70,929.14

Dr J. W. Noble, has been granted leave of absence. Hon. Mr E. Osborne retires by rotation, but offers himself for re-election.

In the absence of Messrs Jeffries and Lowe, the accounts have been audited by Messrs A. O'D. Gordon and E. A. M. Williams. Messrs H. U. Jeffries and A. R. Lowe offer themselves for re-election.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
For the Six Months ending 30th June, 1909.

To Balance Brought Forward \$241.67

To Crown Rent 505.93

To Rates 2,729.00

To Fire Insurance 3,104.13

To Interest 19,126.85

To Directors and Auditors Fees 3,200.00

To Balance to be appropriated as follows:—
To pay dividend of—
\$2.40 per share on 12,000 Old Shares \$28,800.00
40 cents per share on 7,500 New Shares 5,625.00
34,425.00

To Transfer to Repairs and Renewals Account 10,000.00

To Transfer to Furniture and Fittings 3,000.00

To Write off Electric Plant 4,000.00

To Carry forward to New account 19,572.49

\$70,929.14

By Balance from 31 Dec. 1908 \$99,139.77

By Dividend at 6 per cent. \$54,205.40

Transfer to Repairs and Renewals etc. 10,000.00

Transfer Furniture and Fittings 3,000.00

Transfer Installation of Electric Light 1,500.00

\$54,000.00

By Dividends on Shares in Public Companies 658.00

By rent and Transfer Fees 63.00

By Rents of Shops, and Hotel Mansions 26,010.00

By Paid Debts Recovered 28.83

By Profit on Hotel Working Accounts for the six months ending 30th June, 1909 71,184.54

\$39,139.77

Repairs and Renewals Account for the Six Months ending 30th June, 1909.

To Payments on account of Repairs and Renewals for half year ending 30th June, 1909, 9,823.57

To Balance 813,912.09

By Balance from 31st December, 1908 3,912.00

By Profit and Loss Account as recommended in last Report 10,000.00

\$13,912.09

Balance Sheet, 30th June, 1909.

Capital—
12,000 Old Shares at \$50 each (fully paid up) \$600,000.00
8,000 New Shares each \$25 paid up \$200,000.00
\$800,000.00

Less 103 New Shares not yet issued 2,575.00

1,500 Mortgage Debentures (Rs. 20) \$750,000.00

Less 800 held by the Company 400,000.00

Reserve Fund 350,000.00

Undivided Profits 443,975.78

Unclaimed Dividends 1,401.50

Repairs and Renewals Account, balance as per Statement 4,088.52

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corporation (Current Account) 225,877.69

Profit and Loss account, balance as per Statement 70,231.29

\$2,145,564.55

Assets.

Value of Marine Lot No. 5 & remaining portion of Marine Lot No. 7, and Buildings thereon as per last A/c. \$1,092,020.83

Since expended on alterations and additions to Buildings 2,389.68

Praya Reclamation, Marine Lot No. 288, as per last Account and Building thereon Hotel Mansions 621,892.68

Rebuilding South Block, payments on account to date 101,785.92

Cat of Three Chinese Houses on Section B, O. and D. of Island Lot No. 80 33,000.00

Cost of Section B, O. and D. of Island Lot No. 80 30,298.30

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The Fan of the Fair, by Eden Phillips

Old as the World, by J. W. Brodie Innes

The Red Hot Cross, by Dorothy Garsard

A Lighted Candle, by Francis Craven

Concerning Himself, by Victor L. Whitechurch

The Score, by Lucas Malet

The Affair on the Bridge, by L. Morgan

Everybody's Secret, by Dion Clayton Calverton

The Poets of Silence, by H. De Vere Stacpoole

The Counting of Aurora, by Mrs Philip Mackintosh

A Family of Infidels, by W. H. Williams

The Uplift Lamp, by Algernon Gissing

Mollie Deverell, by Curtis York

The Lady of the Shroud, by Bram Stoker

Sansons Unshorn, by Reginald Turner

A Village of Tanquerays, by Fred Wishaw

The Silent Rancher, by Gertrude Faye

The Conversion of Con Orsini and other Stories, by Dorothy Cuyers

The Secret Paper, by Walter Wood

The Red Rose of a Summer, by Louise Mackintosh

The Legend of the White Hand, by Oswald Crawford

The House of Intrigue, by Percy White

A Little Green World, by J. E. Buckrose

An Honest Man, by Ralph Harold Bretton

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